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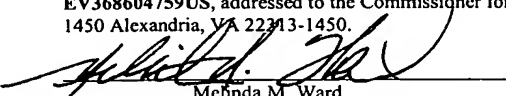
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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.53(b))**  
(Continuation, Divisional or Continuation-in-part application)

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Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR. § 1.53(b) in the name of inventors:  
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For: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR CLEANING A SEMICONDUCTOR WAFER**

This application is a ☐ Continuation ☒ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part

of prior Application No.: **09/329,207**, from which priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 is claimed.

**Application Elements:**☒ 24 Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract☒ 09 Sheets of **formal** Drawings☐ Declaration☐ Newly executed (original or copy)☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d) for a continuation or divisional).

The entire disclosure of the prior application from which a copy of the declaration is herein supplied is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

☐ Deletion of inventors Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

Assignment

☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Lam Research Corporation.

Accompanying Application Parts:

- ☐ Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (recording fee of \$40.00 enclosed)  
☐ Power of Attorney  
☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement by Assignee  
☐ Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations  
☐ Preliminary Amendment (*New claims numbered after highest original claim in prior application.*)  
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